

bright invitation - given at Paris - that he  
(Mr. Quin) should be present at Bir-  
mingham. W. F. Mitchell, too, will have  
to be added; but our unanimous chief  
feeling is that the Breakfast (especially)  
and the Town Hall Meetings must not  
be deprived of full addresses from your-  
self.

We are particularly anxious that the  
Education point should be strongly pre-  
sented - and especially the importance of  
Normal Classes for Training Coloured Teachers.

We are making a conspicuous feature of  
this; and have already got upwards of  
£2000 paid or promised in this direction.

Will you kindly forgive me if I ~~have~~ <sup>am</sup> ~~errand~~  
in asking you to favour us at Birmingham  
with your ~~help~~ <sup>presence</sup> in this matter.

Hoping you are convalescent; and  
that you may be brought hither, with  
those dear to you, in health and peace -  
and thus reach your own home in  
God's good time,

W. L. Garrison

I am, Yrs very truly  
Thos Phillips



present hands for decision

As to Liverpool:- Cotton is down; and Liverpool is down. Mr Albright made some calls - while there with Mr W. F. Mitchell; I went down expressly respecting the proposed meeting. I saw several leading representative men; none were hopeful of much success; but Mr Trimble means quickly to test what can be done as to numbers; and will let us know the result. We shall act in the spirit of that soundly-worded paragraph <sup>of yours</sup> - which all appreciated to whom I showed it - respecting Mr Gladstone; that paragraph convinced us that we must not run the risk of asking him. Leeds will well supplement Birmingham; but we must run no risk of finishing with a faint success or an anti-climax at Liverpool. Mr Trimble will, I doubt not, fairly test, and bear faithful testimony.

At this point, Mr H. Gwynn, who suddenly appeared on the Anti-Slavery Arena at Paris, Aug 27, has come in - to say that he is here in compliance with Mr H.



after two months absence. He had not then  
had time to look through his letters, *Pica*,  
but he said he would come if he could possibly  
do so. It is not possible.

The names represent Episcopals, Baptists —  
Peebaptists (long), Wesleyans, Unitarians —  
Wings — Radicals — Tories

The arrangement of the Circular will be  
a little altered, by transposals

We anticipate good Meetings

The Leicester Friends strongly desire  
a fall — probably 50 or 60 would meet  
you; but I told them, when I was over  
there a few days back, and since,  
by letter, that, although I would name  
their wish, I thought that you would  
scarcely be able to comply — as the only  
time ~~was~~ at all open is Wednesday, the  
16<sup>th</sup>; and you had engagements on Mon-  
day and Tuesday in London, and on  
Sunday at Birmingham. Leicester is  
not far from Birmingham: so it would  
not be excessively difficult for you  
to call, or for them to come over.  
I leave the matter in your most com-



No 2, St Philips Terrace, Kensington  
Oct. 5, 1867.

Dear Mr Garrison

<sup>263</sup> I enclose proofs of one circular  
and copy of another, respecting forth-  
coming Meetings. On behalf of the  
Joint Committee, I beg respectfully  
to invite your Son and Daughter  
(Mr Villars) to accompany you  
alike to the London and Birmingham  
Meetings - if convenient and pleasant.  
While presuming that you may stop - as  
intimated - at Southampton street, while  
in London, Mr Albright (who will  
write you) will be happy to ascertain  
you at his House, 29, George street  
Edgbaston.

You will perceive that we have a  
tolerably strong staff of Local Gen-  
lemen who will be with us. Two or  
three are a little uncertain: the rest  
have given their unqualified promises  
to be with us. Mr G. Dawson, M.A.,  
regrets that a previous Engagement  
will hinder him from being present. I  
saw him personally - just after his return